

(B) redesignating subsection (d) as subsection (e);

(C) adding a new subsection (d) as follows:

“(d) Women commissioned in the Regular Marine Corps under the provisions of this title shall not have permanent commissioned grade on the active list of the Regular Marine Corps above that of lieutenant colonel. The number of women officers on the active list of the Regular Marine Corps in the permanent grades of lieutenant colonel and major shall not exceed 10 per centum and 20 per centum, respectively, of the number of women officers on the active list of the Regular Marine Corps in the grades of second lieutenant and above at any one time. Computations to determine such numbers shall be made at such times that the needs of the service require but not less than once annually. Whenever a final fraction occurs in any computation made pursuant to this section, the nearest whole number shall be taken and if such fraction be one-half the next higher whole number shall be taken. Upon determining such numbers, the Secretary of the Navy may further determine the number, which may be a lesser number, of women officers on the active list of the Regular Marine Corps which may serve in each of those grades and the number so further determined shall be held and considered as the authorized numbers until subsequent computations and determinations are made. No woman officer of the Regular Marine Corps shall be reduced in grade or pay, or be separated from the active list, as the result of any such computation or determination.”

Marine Corps.
Lieutenant colo-
nels and majors.

Determination of
numbers.

Restriction.

(D) adding the following new subsections:

“(f) The number to be furnished the appropriate selection board in respect to the promotion of women officers of the Regular Marine Corps to the grades of lieutenant colonel and major shall be determined by the Secretary of the Navy as of the date of the convening of the board and shall be equal to the number of vacancies existing for such officers in the grade concerned plus the estimated number of such vacancies which will occur during the ensuing twelve-month period and minus the number of such officers then on the promotion list.”

Promotions.

“(g) Women officers of the grades of captain and first lieutenant in the Regular Marine Corps whose names on June 30 of the fiscal year in which they complete thirteen and seven years' active commissioned service, respectively, in the Regular Marine Corps and Marine Corps Reserve are not then on a promotion list for promotion to the next higher grade shall be honorably discharged from the Marine Corps on that date with a lump-sum payment computed on the basis of two months active-duty pay at the time of their discharge for each year of commissioned service, but not to exceed a total of two years' pay. For the purposes of this subsection a fractional year of six months or more shall be considered a full year in computing the number of years' commissioned service upon which to base such lump-sum payment.”

Captains and
first lieutenants.
Discharges.

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Public Law 586

CHAPTER 394

AN ACT

Authorizing the Administrator of General Services to convey certain property of the United States to the city of Bonham, Texas.

June 15, 1956
[H. R. 8490]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, subject to section 2 of this Act, the Administrator of General Services is authorized and directed to quitclaim to the city of Bonham, Texas, all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a tract of land containing twenty-one and nine-tenths acres, more or less, situated in the

Bonham, Texas.
Conveyance.

Veterans' Administration Center reservation in that city, the exact legal description of which shall be determined by the Administrator of General Services, together with such improvements as are not specifically reserved to the Government in the deed of conveyance.

Terms, conditions, etc.

SEC. 2. The conveyance authorized by this Act (1) shall provide that the tract of land so conveyed shall be used for recreational purposes, and if it shall ever cease to be used for such recreational purposes the title to such property shall revert to the United States, which shall have the immediate right of reentry thereon, (2) shall reserve to the United States all mineral rights, including gas and oil, in the land so conveyed, and (3) may contain such additional terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions as may be determined by the Administrator of General Services to be necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

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Public Law 587

CHAPTER 395

AN ACT

June 15, 1956
[H. R. 8674]

To provide for the return of certain property to the city of Biloxi, Mississippi.

Biloxi, Miss.
Conveyance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, subject to section 2 of this Act, the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs shall convey to the city of Biloxi, Mississippi, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to a tract of land containing one hundred and forty-four acres, more or less, one hundred and thirty-nine acres of which constitute a portion of land heretofore given to the United States by the city of Biloxi, and is located in the Veterans' Administration reservation in that city. The exact legal description of the land to be conveyed shall be determined by the Administrator, and in the event a survey is required in order to make such determination, the city of Biloxi shall bear the expense thereof.

SEC. 2. The deed of conveyance authorized under the provisions of this Act may contain such terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions as may be determined by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to be necessary to protect the interests of the United States.

Approved June 15, 1956.

Public Law 588

CHAPTER 396

AN ACT

June 15, 1956
[H. R. 9358]

To require the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to issue a deed to the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for certain land heretofore conveyed to such city, removing the conditions and reservations made a part of such prior conveyance.

Cheyenne, Wyo.
Conveyance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey to the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for public-park and golf-course purposes, certain land situated within the boundaries of the Veterans' Administration center at Cheyenne, Wyoming", approved June 29, 1948 (62 Stat. 1104; Public Law 831, Eightieth Congress), is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new section:

"SEC. 2. If the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, conveys to the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs by quitclaim deed the parcel of land con-